CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD SAN DIEGO REGION

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING AND OPPORTUNITY TO COMMENT

The California Regional Water Quality Control Board, San Diego Region (San Diego Water Board), is releasing Tentative Order No. R9-2022-0002, NPDES No. CAG999002, General National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Permit for Residual Firework Pollutant Discharges to Waters of the United States in the San Diego Region from the Public Display of Fireworks (Tentative Order), for public review and comment. The San Diego Water Board will consider adoption of the Tentative Order at its regularly scheduled meeting on **February 9, 2022**. The Tentative Order, if adopted, will regulate residual pollutant discharges associated with the public display of fireworks to surface waters within the jurisdiction of the San Diego Water Board.

Document Availability

The Tentative Order and related documents are available online at: https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/sandiego/board_decisions/tentative_orders/

Interested persons may receive copies of the Tentative Order by contacting Debbie Phan at (619) 521-3359, Debbie.Phan@waterboards.ca.gov, or by visiting the San Diego Water Board office at 2375 Northside Drive, Suite 100, San Diego, California 92108-2700, weekdays between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.

Submission of Written Comments

Notice is hereby given that the San Diego Water Board will accept written comments regarding the Tentative Order.

The written comment period provides an opportunity for interested persons to comment on the Tentative Order. All written comments regarding the Tentative Order must be received no later than **5:00 p.m. on Friday, November 12, 2021**, to be considered by the San Diego Water Board. Written comments sent by mail must be addressed to the following:

ATTN: Debbie Phan California Regional Water Quality Control Board – San Diego Region 2375 Northside Drive, Suite 100 San Diego, California 92108-2700

Comments may also be submitted by email to sandiego@waterboards.ca.gov. The subject line of all written comments via email must include "Comment – Tentative Order No. R9-2022-0002."

The early submission of written comments on the Tentative Order is encouraged. Written comments received by **5:00 p.m. on Friday, November 12, 2021**, will be

provided to the San Diego Water Board members for their review in advance of the public hearing to consider adoption of the Tentative Order. The San Diego Water Board will prepare written responses to significant comments that are timely received. Consistent with State Water Resources Control Board regulations that apply to this proceeding, written comments received after **5:00 p.m. on Friday, November 12, 2021**, will not be accepted and will not be incorporated into the administrative record if doing so would prejudice any party.

Public Hearing for Consideration of the Tentative Order

The San Diego Water Board will conduct the public hearing on the proposed adoption of the Tentative Order during the San Diego Water Board meeting scheduled at the following time and location:

February 9, 2022, beginning promptly at 9:00 a.m.
San Diego Water Board Meeting Room
2375 Northside Drive, Suite 100
San Diego, California 92108

The *Meeting Notice and Agenda*, which will indicate any changes in the meeting location and may provide other specific information concerning this hearing, will be posted at least two weeks prior to the meeting date at the following webpage:

https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/sandiego/board info/agendas/

The procedures governing San Diego Water Board meetings are found in California Code of Regulations, title 23, section 647, et seg., and are available upon request.

The *Meeting Notice and Agenda* for this meeting will provide contact information for persons requesting special accommodations.

Contact for Further Information

Please contact Ms. Debbie Phan at (619) 521-3359, or Debbie.Phan@waterboards.ca.gov for information regarding the above proposed action. Please share this information with any person who would be interested in this matter.

Date of Notice: October 13, 2021